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Title : Spring Loaded Cylinder

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

Please enter the following amendments to the claims prior to the examination of the application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.